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SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

REF: FREETOWN 2519

1. SUMMARY: PRESIDENT STEVENS MORE THAN INSURED PASSAGE OF THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (REFTEL) INCREASING GOSL CONTROL OVER PARLIAMENT BY SENDING HIS MINISTERS TO INTRODUCE AND ENDORSE THE PASSAGE OF AN AMENDMENT PERMITTING THE PRESIDENT TO NOMINATE AN ADDITIONAL FOUR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.

2. PARLIAMENT BY A VOTE OF 42 TO 9 APPROVED THE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PERMITTING THE PRESIDENT TO NOMINATE UP TO SEVEN MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.

3. PRIME MINISTER AND ACTING VICE-PRESIDENT KAMARA-TAYLOR INTRODUCED THE LEGISLATION. MINISTERS OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, OF JUSTICE, AND OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF PASSAGE EMPHASIZED GOSL DESIRE WAS NOT, REPEAT NOT, TO STRENGTHEN ITS VOTING POWER; RATHER TO ALLOW LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PARLIAMENT TO BENEFIT FROM THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE NEW MEMBERS.

4. THREE OF THE FOUR NEW MEMBERS WILL BE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ARMED FORCES, TRADE UNIONS AND THE POLICE FORCE. NORTH

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